

Torrance, California  
December 16, 1930.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, December 16th., 1930, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Trustees were present: Trustees: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.

Absent: Trustees: None.

Trustee Steiner moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 2nd., 1930, be adopted.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, under date of December 8th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable City Council enclosing resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors, which resolution stated that the above Board is pledged to a program designed to stimulate employment in the County and Municipalities of the County, and urging other Municipalities within the County of Los Angeles to adopt a similar policy in connection with public work.

Trustee Steiner moved that the above communication be filed.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from W. H. Gilbert, Insurance Agent, Torrance, California, under date of December 16th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable City Council, stating that the City is not protected against injuries to the public through negligence on the part of the City or any of its employees and wishing an opportunity to submit this proposition to the Board. This matter was laid over till after the opening of the bids for trucks.

At 8: P. M. Clerk Bartlett opened and read the following bids for one (1) four cylinder and one (1) six cylinder truck as advertised:

Bid from MULLIN'S COMPLETE AUTO SERVICE, 2053 Redondo Blvd., Torrance, California, as follows:

(1) 6 Cyl. Motor, 1-1/2 Ton Moreland truck ----- \$ 2000.00.

Bid from THE WHITE COMPANY, 435 East 20th. Street, Los Angeles, California, as follows:

(1) Model 162 White chasses ----- \$ 2640.00.

Bid from TORRANCE MOTOR COMPANY, 1526 Cravens Avenue, Torrance, California, as follows:

(1) 6 Cyl. Chevrolet Truck, of 1-1/2 Ton Capacity --- \$ 1273.00.

Bid from PAULL & MURRAY, 1420 Cabrillo Avenue, Torrance, California, as follows:

(1) 6 Cyl. Model F 31, Dodge Brothers 1-1/2 Ton Truck \$ 1578.00.

Bid from PAULL & MURRAY, 1420. Cabrillo Avenue, Torrance, California, as followw:

(1) 4 Cyl. Dodge Brothers 1-1/2 Ton Truck ----- \$ 1325.00.

Bid from PAULL & MURRAY, 1420 Cabrillo Avenue, Torrance, California, as follows:

(1) Dodge Brothers Truck which is practically a duplicate of Dodge Truck purchased by City of Torrance 18 months ago, and has proven very satisfactory without any maintenance expense, capable of handling 4 ton ----- \$ 2550.00.

Bid from SCHULTZ, PECKHAM & SCHULTZ, Torrance, California, as follows:

(1) Ford 4 Cyl. Model AA 1-1/2 Ton Truck ----- \$ 1116.50.

Bid from the FEDERAL MOTOR COMPANY, 1237 East 9th. Street, Los Angeles, California,

(1) Model E-6 1-1/2 Ton Federal Truck, 6 Cyl. ----- \$ 1674.50.

Bids for Trucks were laid aside for the time being, so that a representative from the Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York whom Mr. Gilbert had with him, might explain to the Council something about the policy referred to in Mr. Gilbert's letter.

This representative stated that cities in the past have not carried this type of policy, but are beginning to do so. The cost of the policy is based on the size of the City, the hazards involved and the pay roll. Trustee Nelson asked the representative how much in his judgment should a City of our size carry. The representative replied about \$25,000. for one person and \$100,000. for one accident.

Trustee Steiner moved that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for further investigation, to be reported on at the next regular meeting.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Nelson asked the representative if he would submit to the Finance Committee a report of other cities who have had occasion to use this insurance, and of what size policy other cities are carrying.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 482.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, THAT THAT CERTAIN QUITCLAIM DEED, THIS DAY PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL, BY THE DOMINGUEZ LAND CORPORATION, DEEDING TO THE CITY OF TORRANCE ALL OF ITS REVERSIONARY RIGHTS IN AND TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND DESCRIBED AS PORTION OF LOT "C", ALL OF LOTS "D", "E", "G", AND "H", PORTION OF LOTS "F" AND "I", IN TRACT NO. 1427, AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 22, PAGES 82 AND 83 OF MAPS, RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SAID DEED BEING DATED DECEMBER 12TH., 1930, BE APPROVED AND ACCEPTED BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE, AND THE CITY CLERK IS INSTRUCTED TO CAUSE SAID DEED TO BE RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER.

Trustee Bell moved that Resolution No. 482 be adopted.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " None.

Trustee Steiner moved that motion made by him at the meeting of December 2nd., 1930, and seconded by Trustee Smith, relative to Engineer Leonard's instructions to write to the Pacific Electric Railway Company and get a figure in regard to crossing at Sartori Avenue and Post Avenue, be rescinded. Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Smith stated that a test had been made on an inhalator signal, but no definite decision had been made as yet.

Trustee Bell stated that the Committee has been working on the License Ordinance No. 151.

At 8:35 P. M. a recess was declared for the purpose of discussing the bids for trucks. The meeting convened at 9:15 P. M.

Trustee Steiner stated that it was the consensus of the Council that in place of buying two trucks, they would purchase only one, and moved that the bid of Paull & Murray for the heavy duty dodge truck be accepted, and all other bids be rejected.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	TRUSTEES:	Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
NOES:	"	None.
ABSENT:	"	None.

Engineer Leonard told the Council that in order to construct a crossing at Dominguez Street and Sartori Avenue over the Pacific Electric Tracks, it will be necessary to make application to the Railroad Commission for a crossing, and this can only be done after a map of the crossing has been presented.

Trustee Steiner moved that the City Engineer be instructed to comply with all the requirements with reference to the construction of the crossing at Dominguez Street and Sartori Avenue.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Steiner moved that warrants be drawn for all bills, properly audited.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	TRUSTEES:	Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
NOES:	"	None.
ABSENT:	"	None.

Trustee Smith moved that the meeting be adjourned to Thursday evening, December 18th., 1930, at 7:45 P. M.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

A. H. Benedict  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John Dennis  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.